



Lexington is again site for 20th Annual Drillers Workshop

The Kentucky Ground Water Association's Meeting and 20th Annual Drillers Workshop/Trade Show will be held at the Holiday Inn North in Lexington, Ky., February 17 and 18. This is the second year the workshop will be held in Lexington. The Holiday Inn North is located on Newtown Pike just off I-64/I-75 Exit 115 in Lexington.

Please note that checks are to be made payable to the Kentucky Ground Water Association and sent to P. O. Box 991, Mayfield, Ky. 42066. For more information, contact Holly Lyell or Alan Burgess at (270) 251-3004.

Field Audits for 2004

There were seven water well driller field audits completed in 2004. The goal was to complete 10 audits, but with the unusual wet weather and a major office move by the Groundwater Branch, seven audits were considered a success. The audits provided a good opportunity for the water well drillers, driller program personnel and well owners to ask questions and exchange information related to well drilling and groundwater.

This year the Groundwater Branch will be continuing the audits and plans to complete at least 10 audits by the end of the year. As stated in earlier editions of this quarterly, these audits are conducted to improve communication between driller program personnel, water well drillers and well owners.

The water well drillers will be selected throughout the state and will be contacted by Joe Moffitt or Harold Lee to schedule a field review.

NGWA Exam Reminder

As of January 1, the National Ground Water Association (NGWA) exam fees are now \$75.00 per exam. The NGWA has exam centers, through LaserGrade testing specialist, set up in several states in order for exams to be taken via computer. In Kentucky, the testing centers are located in Louisville and Mt. Sterling.

An applicant will go to one of these centers and take the NGWA exams. The scores will be seen immediately, and the applicant can provide the Groundwater Branch with the scores to be added to an application.

The Groundwater Branch will continue to provide the paper/pencil method until Jan. 1, 2007.

LaserGrade exam centers located in Kentucky:

Louisville:

Triangle Flying Service
Bowman Field
2700 Gast Blvd.
Louisville, KY 40280
(502) 452-1185

Mt. Sterling:

Kentucky Airmotive, Inc.
Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County
709 Airport Rd.
Mt. Sterling, KY 40353
(859) 498-1000

For out-of-state exam centers, call Harold Lee at the Groundwater Branch (502) 564-3410 or the NGWA at 1- 800 - 551-7379

Call Before You Dig

Kentucky Underground Protection, Inc., is a nonprofit organization established to provide a communication link between excavators and operators of underground utilities.

KRS 367.4901 to 367.4917 requires that you call two business days before you dig in the state of Kentucky.

The toll free number to call is:

1-800-752-6007

In Louisville, (502) 266-5123

Training Opportunities

Kentucky Ground Water Association's Meeting and 20th Annual Workshop/Trade Show

February 17 and 18, 2005

Holiday Inn North

Newtown Pike

Lexington, Ky.

For information contact:

Holly Lyell at the Kentucky Ground Water Association
Phone (270) 251-3004

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Look for details and applications in the KGWA newsletter

Virginia Water Well Association Convention and Trade Show

Wyndham Airport Roanoke
Roanoke, Va.

February 24—26, 2005

For information call (540) 740-3329
e-mail: jcain@well-drillers.com

Tennessee Ground Water Association Convention and Trade Show

Park Vista Hotel
Gatlinburg, Tenn.

April 15 and 16, 2005

For information call Melba Davis at (423) 224-2307

For continuing online courses, go to:

<http://www.redvector.com>

In order to use training other than the Kentucky Ground Water Association's Annual Drillers' Workshop, you MUST contact Joe Moffitt or Harold Lee at the Groundwater Branch. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

Remember to obtain proper attendance documentation when attending any training for your continuing training requirement. This includes a signed certificate, training card or letter along with an agenda.

Groundwater Protection Plans

Generic Groundwater Protection Plans (GPP) for well drillers are available. Drillers are required to keep and implement a GPP. Also, generic GPPs for domestic wells and septic systems are available to homeowners. These GPPs can be located on the Groundwater Branch's Web site at: <http://www.water.ky.gov/gw/gwprotection/gwplans/> or by contacting Pat Keefe at (502) 564-3410, Ext. 445

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